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Examiner: John Chapman

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For:

DEVICE AND METHOD FOR DETERMINING AND DETECTING

THE ONSET OF STRUCTURAL COLLAPSE

Honorable Commissioner United States Patent and Trademark Office Alexandria, VA 22313

Dear Sir:

The following is an amendment in response to the Examiner's office action of October 24, 2003. Amendments have been made to the specification to clarify the figures discussed during the examiner's interview of February 18, 2004. Amendments to the claims better define the claimed subject matter of the present invention. The amendments do not constitute new matter.

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